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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON:—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTOH, Ludgate Circus, E.C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E.C. SAMUEL DRACON & Co., 160 & 164, Leadenhall Street.

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Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, 200,000 Dollars.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—E. R. BELLIOS, Esq. Deputy Chairman—AD. ANDRI, Esq. J. F. COBBES, Esq. S. W. POMEROY, Esq. H. HOFFMANN, Esq. F. D. SARACON, Esq. A. McIVER, Esq.

ACT. CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, . . . THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. Manager. Shanghai, . . . EVERETT CAMERON, Esq. LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Acting Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, November 2, 1876.

Entertainments.

AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB OF HONGKONG.

THE MEMBERS of the above CLUB will give their Fourth Performance of the Season at the

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL,

MONDAY,

19th February, when will be presented the Popular Burlesque of

"Aladdin or the Wonderful Scamp."

Doors Open at 8.30. Performance to Commence at Nine o'clock.

Tickets may be had at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. on and after Wednesday, February 14th.

CHAS. C. COHEN, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, January 27, 1877. fe20

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs HEARD & Co., to sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY,

the 12th February, 1877, at 2 p.m., at their Office, Queen's Road,—

The whole of their OFFICE FURNITURE, &c., comprising: Desks, Chairs, Tables, Clocks, Letter Press, Inkstands, Stationery, &c., &c.
Legal and other Books.
A Collection of Charts.
One Milner's Patent Fire Resisting Safe. Measuring about 4 ft. 10 in. by 3 ft. 11 in. by 3 ft. 10 in.
One Large Copying Press.
One Platform Scale.

And,
One beamed House-boat, with Awning, Oars, Iron Davits, Pails, &c.
Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on the day of Sale.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery. In Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, February 2, 1877. fe12

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

M. R. FRITZ LANGEN's Interest and Responsibility in our Firm ceased on the 31st December last.

WM. PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877. mol

NOTICE.

THE Undermentioned Firm is THIS DAY DISSOLVED by consent. The Firm in Liquidation will be signed by Mr J. A. FRASER in Japan, by Mr E. G. Low in Shanghai, and by Mr T. G. Linstead in Hongkong, or by any one of the Partners.

HEARD & Co.

Hongkong, February 1, 1877. fe11

NOTICE.

M. R. FERDINAND NISSEN has been compelled to retire from our Firm in consequence of failing health, and his interest and responsibility ceased on the 31st December last.

Mr. NICOLAUS AUGUST SIEMSEN has been authorised to sign for us by Proclamation. We have this day reopened a branch of our Firm at Canton.

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877. ap2

NOTICE.

WE have been appointed AGENTS for the AMERICAN SHIPMASTERS' ASSOCIATION.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.

Hongkong, February 2, 1877. ap2

NOTICE.

M. R. J. F. COBBES' Interest and Responsibility in our Firm ceased on the 31st December last.

WM. PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877. mol

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

ON and after the 16th day of November, 1876, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above-named DISPENSARY will be carried on by the Under-

WM. CRUICKSHANK,

Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between the Undersigned under the name of MESTERN & HULSE has this day been dissolved by lapse of time, and the signature of the Firm will henceforth be used for the Liquidation only.

C. J. MESTERN,

Canton, December 31, 1876. ap2

NOTICE.

M. R. H. EBELL has This Day been admitted a PARTNER in my Firm at SWATOW and HOIHOW, which in future will be carried on under the Name or Style of "HERTON, EBELL & Co."

EDWARD HERTON.

Swatow-Hoihow, January 1, 1877. fe19

Intimations.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL EXHIBITION SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL FLOWER and VEGETABLE SHOW will be held in the Public Gardens on FRIDAY, the 16th, and SATURDAY, the 17th February.

Admission: First Day, . . . \$1.
Second Day, . . . 50 Cents.
Payment at the Gates, or Tickets may be had of Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, February 6, 1877. fe16

HONGKONG.

Chs. J. GAUPP & Co.,

WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS, 38, Queen's Road.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHRONOMETERS, &c., &c., &c.

Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately rated under guarantee. All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with despatch. Hongkong, May 1, 1876. tl

AS YON,

SHIPS' COMPRADORS AND STEVEDORE,

No. 57, Praya West.

SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES.

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice. Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

NOTIFICATION.

A COPY of the JURY LIST for 1877 is posted at the Supreme Court House for inspection; Notice of any inaccuracies, Omissions, Objections, &c., must be given to the Acting Registrar on or before TUESDAY, the Thirtieth day of February, 1877, in accordance with the provisions of Section 8 of Ordinance No. 11 of 1864.

F. S. HUFFAM,

Hongkong, January 29, 1877. fe14

Intimations.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

ARE NOW LANDING AN INVOICE OF

ROUYER GUILLET & Co.'s CELEBRATED BRANDY.

This BRANDY is well known in England, the Colonies, and India. The Firm possess Six Vineyards and Six Distilleries, and are amongst the largest shippers from Charente.

Qualities One *, Two **, Three ***, and Four ***, in Cases of One Dozen Quarts.

Also,

POMMERY & GRENOS

"Extra Sec." CHAMPAGNE,

in Quarts and Pints,

As supplied to the principal London Clubs.

Hongkong, January 5, 1877. [apb]

THE MEDICAL HALL,

37, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

ESTABLISHED 1853.

TH. KOFFER, Proprietor.

Hongkong, April 28, 1876. ap28

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 15th day of February current, at Three o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th December, 1876.

By Order of the Court of Directors, THOMAS JACKSON, Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 1, 1877. fe15

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the REGISTERS of SHARES of the CORPORATION will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 15th day of February current (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors, THOMAS JACKSON, Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 1, 1877. fe15

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Sixth Ordinary MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Head Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 2nd March, 1877, at 3 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, to 31st December, 1876.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 15th February to the 2nd March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, OLYPHANT & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, January 29, 1877. mol

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Eighth Ordinary MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, 29, Queen's Road, Victoria, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of FRIDAY, the 16th February next, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the Year ending 31st December, 1876.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 15th February, both days inclusive.

By Order, JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 19, 1877. fe16

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

HONGKONG AGENCY.

FROM This Date the Offices of this Agency are REMOVED to the Premises in the PRATA CENTRAL lately occupied by Messrs GILMAN & Co., next to Messrs RUSSELL & Co.'s Building.

H. DE POUEY, Agent.

Hongkong, February 1, 1877. mol

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Eighth Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 7, Queen's Road, on TUESDAY, the 20th February next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, to receive a Statement of Accounts for the Year 1876, the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited.

Hongkong, January 20, 1877. fe20

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 20th February next, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited.

Hongkong, January 20, 1877. fe20

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ordinary Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the Company, Club Chambers, on MONDAY, 19th February, 1877, at 3 p.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1876, the Report of the Directors, and for the election of Directors and Auditors.

By Order of the Board, D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, February 2, 1877. fe18

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 15th Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order, D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, February 2, 1877. fe18

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE Annual General MEETING of MEMBERS of the HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held at the CITY HALL, on MONDAY, the 12th February, 1877, at 8 p.m.

By Order, N. B. DENNIS, Secretary.

Hongkong, February 1, 1877. fe11

W. BALL, CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' Sundries, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDICINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG, Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf.

Hongkong, July 15, 1876.

Intimations.

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTON Dialect. Part I, A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo, pp. 202.—By ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D. Leipzig.

Price: Two Dollars and a Half. To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE Office of the IMPERIAL RUSSIAN CONSULATE has This Day been REMOVED to PEDDAR'S HILL.

By Order, LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 29, 1877. fe12

NOTICE.

THE Office of the IMPERIAL GERMAN CONSULATE has This Day been REMOVED to PEDDAR'S HILL.

By Order, LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 29, 1877. fe12

OCCEIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S. Co.

NOTICE.

MR. GEORGE W. BAFLEY has been authorized to sign the Company's Bills of Lading from and after this date.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, February 6, 1877. fe11

OCCEIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S. Co.

NOTICE.

THE OFFICES of the Company have This Day been REMOVED to No. 37, Queen's Road, Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, February 6, 1877. fe18

NOTICE.

BY Order of the Board of Directors of the PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, Messrs RUSSELL & Co. have This Day assumed charge of their AGENCY at this Port.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, February 5, 1877. fe11

NOTICE.

IN Accordance with the above notification, We have This Day ASSUMED CHARGE of the COMPANY'S BUSINESS at this Port.

Until further Notice the Offices of the Company will remain at No. 16, Praya Central.

Mr G. V. SMITH is authorized to sign Bills of Lading.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For Security's sake Shippers of Overland Cargo are requested to endorse on the Envelope the Marks and Nos. of Packages Shipped, to correspond with those in their Bills of Lading.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 5, 1877.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE.

THE BRITISH SHIP *TYBURNIA*,
FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

MEYER & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 1, 1877.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the undermentioned Goods per British Ship *Tyburnia*, from London, are requested to send their Bills of Lading for countersignature to the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods, failing which they will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense by

MEYER & Co.,
Agents.

White Stripes, 2103; Red Stripes, 7776
—9879 bundles RAILROADS.
Hongkong, February 5, 1877. fcl2

BRITISH SHIP *SARAH NICHOLSON*,
FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

MELOHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 5, 1877. fcl1

FROM LONDON, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Cyphreus* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned into their Godowns, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary is given before 10 a.m. To-morrow.

Goods remaining in Godowns after the 15th Instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 5, 1877. fcl5

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Argyll*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned into their Godowns, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary is given before 10 a.m. To-morrow.

Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 5, 1877. fcl5

FROM BUSHIRE, BANDER, ABBAS
AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Gunga*, Captain A. GABEAU, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature to the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

H. A. ASGAR & H. ESMAIL.
Hongkong, January 24, 1877.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

H. DU POUY,
Agent.

Ex *Melting*, December 29th, 1876.
ESD 15 bags White Wax.

Ex *Aia*, January 11th, 1877.
TNC No. 1, 2 cases Stoves.
GD No. 1, 1 case Paper.

Ex *Amation*, January 24th, 1877.
OE, one box Sundries.
Hongkong, February 7, 1877.

TO-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from A. G. MORRIS, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 15th February, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., at his Residence, "Hermitage,"

The whole of his HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising—Drawing, Dining, and Bed-room Suites, Tables, Chairs, Sofa, Mirrors, Pictures, Sideboard, Crockery, Glass and Plated-ware, Bedsteads, Toilet Table, Wash-stands and Sets, &c., &c.

One PIANO.
Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Wednesday, the 14th Instant.

Terms of Sale.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, February 9, 1877. fcl2

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship
"MENZALHE,"
Comdt. PASQUALINI, will be
despatched for YOKOHAMA
on SUNDAY, the 11th Instant, at Daylight.

H. DU POUY,
Agent.

Hongkong, February 9, 1877. fcl1

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship
"TIGRE,"
Comdt. BRUNET, will be
despatched for SHANGHAI
on SUNDAY, the 11th Instant, at Noon.

H. DU POUY,
Agent.

Hongkong, February 9, 1877. fcl1

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

S. S. TIGRE.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Euphrate*, from London, in connection with the above Steamers, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-day, the 9th Instant, at 6 p.m., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining undelivered after Thursday, the 15th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUY,
Agent.

Hongkong, February 9, 1877. fcl5

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE British S. S. *Hindustan*, Captain T. S. GARDNER, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature to the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Steamship will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 9, 1877. fcl6

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

THE Steamer *KIUKIANG* will make a Trip to CANTON and Back on SUNDAY, the 11th Instant, leaving here at 8 a.m., and Canton at 4 p.m.

The *WHITE CLOUD* will also run on SUNDAY, the 11th Instant, leaving MACAO at 8 a.m., and HONGKONG at 2 p.m. There will be no Macao Steamer on Tuesday, the 13th Instant.

By Order,
P. A. DA COSTA,
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 9, 1877. fcl1

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

BRIDGETOWN, British barque, Captain E. W. CRISP.—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

CEYLON, American bark, Capt. E. KELLY. STAR OF CHINA, British ship, Captain E. B. BLAKER.—Douglas LaPraik & Co.

NEHEMIAS GIBSON, American barque, Captain D. Bradford.—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

BONITO, German barque, Captain J. E. WESSENBERG.—Siemssen & Co.

ALDEN BASSA, American barque, Captain S. NOYES.—Rogers & Co.

TYBURNIA, British ship, Captain Robt. GOLDEN.—Meyer & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 9, *Achilles*, British steamer, 1550, T. Russell, Shanghai Feb. 3, Foochow 7, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

Feb. 9, *Yaso*, British steamer, 550, J. E. Panchard, Foochow Feb. 3, Amoy 7, and Swatow 8, General.—Dovolas LaPraik & Co.

Feb. 9, *Hindustan*, British steamer, 991, T. S. Gardner, Calcutta Jan. 23, Penang 30, and Singapore Feb. 2, 2,017 chests Opium, 1,911 bales Cotton, 809 bags Salt-petre, and 1,500 pkgs. Sundries.—DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Feb. 9, *Signal*, American barque, 435, Austin Whitney, Point Tober (Per) Nov. 2, Guano.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Feb. 9, *Tigre*, French steamer, 1500, Brunet, Marseilles Dec. 31, Naples Jan. 9, Port Said 5, Suez 8, Aden 14, Galle 24, Singapore Feb. 1, and Saigon 6, Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Feb. 9, *Pau Tah*, Chinese steamer, 870, Patterson, Shanghai Feb. 6, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Feb. 9, *Fallas*, German barque, 492, M. Lüdgers, Nagasaki Feb. 1, Coal.—Wm. PUSTAV & Co.

Feb. 9, *Stamess Crown*, Slattische barque, 540, W. Saxtaph, Bangkok Dec. 15, General.—TACT MEY & Co.

Feb. 9, *Ching-to*, Chinese gunboat, from Canton.

Feb. 9, *Belle of Oregon*, American barque, 1155, J. Merriman, Cardiff Oct. 3, Coal.—ORDEN.

Feb. 9, *Rio Lodge*, British brig, 241, Matthews, Shanghai Feb. 3, Ballast.—Oxley & Co.

Feb. 9, *Montgomeryshire*, British steamer, 445, J. Sturrock, Saigon Feb. 5, Rice.—H. KLEN.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 9, *Patrolus*, for Shanghai.

9, *Ningpo*, for Shanghai.

9, *Pau Tah*, for Canton.

CLEARED.

Christian, for Tientsin.
Deutschland, for Tientsin.
Morning Star, for Bangkok.
Ceylon, for New York.
Woden, for Keelung.
Cyphreus, for Shanghai.
Signal, for Whampoa.
Madagascar, for Amoy.
Achilles, for Singapore and London.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Tigre*, for Hongkong: from Marseilles, Messrs Grossmann, Parquer, Hamon, and L. Henneguin; from Singapore, Mr and Mrs Mark and 2 children and servant; from Saigon, 23 Chinese. For Shanghai: from Marseilles, Messrs Muller and Davis; from Saigon, Mr Rousseau. For Yokohama: from Messrs Pailh, Kounissal, and Souves; from Saigon, Mr Boland.

Per *Achilles*, from Foochow, Mr R. Shepherd, Mrs Hamilton, and 6 Chinese.

Per *Yaso*, from Coast Ports, Mr and Mrs Duffus and family, Dr. Gauld, Messrs Pye, Pattison, Tennant, Jones, Morris, Mehta, D'Arnaud, Clayton, Corner, Wittie, Master Williams, and one Chinese.

Per *Hindustan*, from Calcutta, Penang, and Singapore, Mrs T. S. Gardner, Miss Anderson, Messrs Senchi Umourah, Dryland, Hutchison and 96 deck.

Per *Pau Tah*, from Shanghai, Messrs MacLymont and Mooney, and 60 Chinese.

Per *Belle of Oregon*, from Cardiff, Mr Charles W. Pasinton.

Per *Rio Lodge*, from Shanghai, Mrs Matthews and child.

Per *Montgomeryshire*, from Saigon, 5 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Ningpo*, for Shanghai, 1 European deck and 120 Chinese.

Per *Achilles*, for Singapore, &c., 8 Europeans, 20 Chinese deck, and 1 Distressed Seaman.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Achilles* reports: Moderate northerly winds and dull cloudy weather throughout the passage.

The British steamer *Yaso* reports: Foochow to arrival dull cloudy weather with rain and moderate northerly winds. Stirs in Foochow, Haining, Glenroy and Buyew. Stirs in Swatow, Dou'as and Suatow.

The American barque *Signal* reports: Had no N.E. trades since leaving Sandwich Islands, since leaving Formosa had light variable winds.

The French mail steamer *Tigre* reports: Had fine and clear weather from Saigon until within 120 miles of the Ladrones, since when have experienced fresh N.E. winds and foggy weather with very rough sea.

The Chinese steamer *Pau Tah* reports: Had strong N.E. gale all the passage with heavy rain on the 6th and 7th.

The American barque *Belle of Oregon* reports: 11th Oct., crossed Equator. 10th Dec., passed Cape of Good Hope. 10th Jan., passed through Alas Straits. 20th Feb., passed through Dampiera Straits. 6th Feb., passed through Formosa Passage.

The British brig *Rio Lodge* reports: Moderate monsoon and hazy weather throughout the passage.

The British steamer *Montgomeryshire* reports: Fine weather throughout and saw no vessel the whole way.

The British steamer *Hindustan* reports: Left Calcutta on the 23rd January, 1877, arrived at Penang 20th, left Penang on the 30th, arrived at Singapore 1st February, 1877, left Singapore on the 2nd. After leaving Singapore experienced very light monsoon and fine weather up to lat. 20.20 N., from thence to arrival moderate N.E. monsoon and foggy weather. Detained 14 hours outside on account of fog.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—
For MANILA.
Per *NORDEEN*, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 10th inst.

Per Schooner *NUOVO CONSTANCE*, at 1.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 10th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For SHANGHAI.
Per *CYPHREUS*, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 10th inst.

For SINGAPORE, SUEZ & LONDON.—
Per *ACHILLES*, at 1.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 10th inst.

For AMOY.
Per *MADAGASCAR*, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 10th inst.

For YOKOHAMA.
Per *MANZALEH*, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the 10th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.—
Per *LEONOR*, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 10th inst.

For SHANGHAI.
Per *TIGRE*, at 11 a.m., on Sunday, the 11th inst.; late letters received from 11.10 to 11.30. The Post Office will be open at 10 a.m. Correspondence for Registry by either Mail received till a quarter of an hour before the time for first closing.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKER.—
The English Contract Packet *LOMBARDY*, will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 15th February.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—
Wednesday, 14th Inst.—
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.
6 p.m., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Hongkong, February 8, 1877. fcl5

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKER.—
The United States Mail Packet *CITY OF PEKING* will be despatched on MONDAY, the 19th Instant, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, and London, which will be closed as follows:—
3 p.m., Registry of Letters ceases.
3.30 p.m., Post Office closes.

Hongkong, February 6, 1877. fcl9

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKER.—
The French Contract Packet *AMARONE*, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 22nd Instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, to Marseilles, to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Aden, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seydhelle, Réunion, Mauritius, Suez, and Alexandria.

Hongkong, February 8, 1877. fcl2

General Memoranda.

SUNDAY, February 11.—

Daylight.—*Leonor* leaves for Coast Ports.
Daylight.—*Manzaleh* leaves for Yokohama.

8 a.m.—*Kiukiang* leaves for Canton.
Noon.—*Tigre* leaves for Shanghai.
2 p.m.—*White Cloud* leaves for Macao.

MONDAY, February 12.—

2 p.m.—Sale of Office Furniture, &c., at Messrs Heard & Co.'s Office, Queen's Road.

8 p.m.—Meeting of H. K. General Chamber of Commerce, at the City Hall.

THURSDAY, February 15.—

Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

2 p.m.—Sale of Household Furniture, at Mr Morris' residence, "Hermitage."

3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at City Hall.

Goods per *Cyphreus* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Argyll* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Tigre* undelivered after Noon, subject to rent and landing charges.

FRIDAY, February 16.—

Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.

2 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The China Fire Insurance Co., Limited, at No. 39, Queen's Road.

Transfer Books of The Chinese Insurance Co., Limited, closed from this date to 2nd March, inclusive.

Flower Show at the Public Gardens.

SATURDAY, February 17.—

Flower Show at the Public Gardens.

MONDAY, February 19.—

3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

8 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Limited, at Club Chambers.

9 p.m.—Amateur Dramatic Club Performance at the City Hall.

TUESDAY, February 20.—

8 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited, at No. 7, Queen's Road.

THURSDAY, March 1.—

3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

FRIDAY, March 2.—

3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Chinese Insurance Co., Limited, at the Head Office, Hongkong.

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BIRTHS.

At Shanghai, on the 2nd February, the Wife of A. A. KRAUSS, of a Daughter.

On the 19th December, at Melrose-house, Eltham-road, Lee, the wife of EDWARD MORRIS, of the H. & S. Banking Corporation, Calcutta, of a Daughter.

DEATHS.

On the 17th Dec., at 5

HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY'S
CONCERT.

In spite of the very excellent singing, especially in the solos by three of the lady performers, and the good quality of the instrumental music afforded, the concert of the Choral Society last night seemed to be wanting somewhat in "go." We must confess, however, that we can scarcely point out where the fault lay. Better singing than that furnished last night cannot be expected at any amateur concert; there was a splendid performance on the violin and another on the piano, and the choruses were also rendered in a manner very creditable to the Society; nevertheless, the entertainment seemed to drag a little occasionally. Perhaps this can be said more or less of all entertainments of this nature—concerts are rather "slow." His Excellency the Governor, Miss Kennedy, Sir John and Lady Smale, and most of the leading residents were present; the room was about three-parts filled. The first song, "A life that lives for you," and the trio "My heart van Duken" were both well sung. In the first a little hardness could be noticed in some of the notes, probably through want of practice on the part of the singer. The voices in the trio harmonised very effectively, being well balanced. The first encore was obtained by the song, with violoncello obligato, "Orpheus with his Lute." It was splendidly rendered by the lady who sang for the first time before a Hongkong audience at the last concert of the Society, when she was most enthusiastically received. The obligato was, we understand, written by Mr. Sangster. In response to the encore, she favoured the audience with the fine old song "The last Rose of Summer," and received another enthusiastic burst of applause at its close. The merry strains in the solo and chorus, "With a laugh as we go round" were exceedingly relieving. In the first part of the solo, the lady seemed somewhat out of voice, and the second part was much better rendered, and obtained for her another round of applause. The next encore was obtained, and deservedly so, in the barcarole, "Dormi pure." The lady who gave the song has a fine contralto voice and is evidently a finished singer. In response to the encore she gave a very pretty song, written we believe, by Mr. Sangster, entitled "Rememberance," with a violin obligato, also written by our popular organist. The violin solo "Oberlander" was rendered with great feeling and taste. The performer is a master, in every sense, of a very fine instrument. The song "My Queen" by another lady procured an encore, and, in our opinion, the second performance was far better than the first. In responding to the encore the lady gave "The Swallow" in a very pleasing and effective manner; in fact the song was in every way better adapted for her than the first. The quartette for piano, violin, viola and violoncello, "Grove and Allegro" was very well played, after the performers had settled to their work, but the violin was a little behind at the start. The last piece in the programme, a glee with solo—"The he be now a grey grey friar"—was a very excellent and pleasing performance. The solos were capably rendered, and we were glad to notice that in this glee especially the alto exhibited a considerable improvement compared with their performances on other occasions. The National Anthem brought to a close what, so far as the quality of the vocal and instrumental music afforded, at least, is concerned, a very successful concert.

Police Intelligence.

(Before James Russell, Esq.)
9th February 1877.

"THE MIRROR OF JUSTICE."
Mok A Cheuk, servant to Capt. Gamble, Assistant Commissary, was charged with obtaining money under false pretences. The complainant Lee A Ng, a hawker, stated that he lived at Canton Bazaar. On the 24th December last he lost a quantity of clothing and some money, his box having been broken open during his absence from home. He offered a reward but could gain no information. On the 26th December, the defendant came to him and said he could find out by magic who stole the things, if the complainant would give him \$3, and he would get his things back. The complainant believed him and gave him the \$3. The defendant got a basin of water and a looking glass. He put the glass into the water and he burned some paper. He then used some incantations and told complainant that he saw the thief in the glass; he was a man of about 30 or 40 years of age, and wore a black coat and a pair of white trousers. The defendant asked the complainant to look into the glass, but he failed to see anything. The defendant burned some paper—presumably some charms—on the top of the water, and the smoke was reflected from the mirror. All the complainant could see was this smoke, but the defendant persisted in saying that he could see a man in the glass. Several tried to look, but could not see anything. The defendant then said that only children could see, and two children, one boy and one girl, both aged about 10 years, were brought to the test, but they could not see also; the girl afterwards, however, said she could see a man with a black coat and a pair of white trousers on. She said this after her eyes had been rubbed with some charmed water. The defendant said if the man would not give back the property in one week, he would return the complainant the \$3. Weeks had elapsed, but the stolen property was not forthcoming, and complainant went frequently to ask the defendant about it, when he put him off from day to day. At last he had to give him into custody.—Yung Allen, a girl 12 years of age, was called. She said she saw a man who was wearing a black coat and white trousers, in the mirror. He was walking; he had a bundle in his hand, but had no umbrella nor a fan. From subsequent evidence, however, it turned out that this girl was a relation of the defendant.—The Magistrate sent him to two months' hard labour, but Capt. Gamble subsequently appeared and gave the defendant a very good character. He had been his

servant for four years, and was always found to be strictly honest and regular. The Magistrate took this into consideration and amended his decision, fining the defendant \$25, or in default 2 months' hard labour.

LARCENY.

Mok A Pui, servant to Mr. Wotton, was again brought up to answer the charge of stealing a gold watch and chain with trinkets from Dr. Ayres on the 6th inst. Mr. Wotton was called to-day, and he said the defendant was his servant from the 6th July last, having been highly recommended. Witness made enquiries as to his antecedents and found that he was respectable and connected and that he had served on board the *Princess Charlotte*, leaving only when his master, a doctor, was removed from this station. Witness had great confidence in him, and never took more than ordinary care of his money and jewellery. He frequently gave defendant money to pay small bills and had always found him correct. He paid him \$7 a month and would have given him an increase after the New Year. The witness then gave an account of what took place at the time the robbery was discovered and what occurred afterwards. When he went up to his room after breakfast, he heard the sound of Chinese foot-steps in Dr. Ayres' room. Other evidence was called, amongst which was that given by Dr. Ayres' servant. He said the defendant had lost \$5 the evening before in gambling with himself and the other servants, that they were in the habit of visiting the Yuen Kee Club, of which the witness was a member, and the entrance fee was \$50, each. He joined some ten months ago and had paid his fifty dollars. He sometimes took the defendant there as a visitor, and a member could take any number of friends to the club. They had domino playing and card-playing there, but no fan-tan.

In the course of the trial, Mr. Wotton observed that owing to the respectability of the boys' people, and his former good character, he did not wish to press the prosecution, and should be glad if the Magistrate would deal summarily with the case rather than send it to the Supreme Court. The Magistrate said that he would consider Mr. Wotton's request when he had heard further evidence, but that in case the prisoner was convicted at the Supreme Court, he was certain to get a much heavier punishment than the Police Court could inflict. In reference to the prosecution, Mr. Russell observed that lest there might be a wrong impression as to Dr. Ayres or Mr. Wotton prosecuting, he thought it right to state that once a case was in the hands of the Police, and evidence of a crime produced, the matter must be investigated and determined. The Crown was the prosecutor, and Dr. Ayres and Mr. Wotton were only witnesses. When it appeared necessary for the ends of justice that evidence should be called, the Magistrate was required to call him, and whether the parties who had suffered personal wrongs chose to appear and prosecute or not, if the administration of public justice required their attendance, why then they must attend and give evidence.

After further evidence, the defendant was sent to six months' hard labour.

BENEDICTION.

An Sang and three others, were again brought up before the Hon. C. May to answer the charge of burglary at Ping Chow, an island just outside the jurisdiction of Hongkong. A Chinese informer gave evidence to the effect that he lived in the same house at Saiyungpoo with the prisoners and others. On the 22nd January last, he heard the 4th prisoner say in an undertone to those in the house, asking them to volunteer to go in an attacking expedition. Eleven men were only wanted and he asked those who wished to join to say so. The necessary number having been obtained, he lay before them a plan of attack on a house in Aberdeen, but after they had resolved on the scheme, one man came and accidentally knocked down the oil-lamp, and as this was considered a bad omen, the attack was abandoned. On the 23rd January, the 4th prisoner made an other proposition. It was to attack a house at Pingchow. The eleven men went away and returned the next morning, carrying some bundles. The 4th prisoner was heard to say "all clothing and no money," and that if he had known that, he would not have made the attack. Hearing this, the informer left the house and informed the Police, but on their arrival, the house was found empty. Subsequently, through the instrumentality of the informer, the prisoners were arrested, some with property in their possession which had been identified by the owner. The prisoners were committed to gaol pending the orders of the Governor.

THE MACAO BURGLARY.

Chan Asee was again brought up to answer the charge of having committed a burglary and abduction in the house of one Chun Acheung at Macao, the Chinese Mandarin having applied for the prisoner's rendition. This was the same case where the complainant from Macao was afraid to prosecute for fear of the prisoner's comrades. Two witnesses were tendered by the Mandarin in charge of the case, and they were convicted prisoners at Canton who had confessed to the charge and who were only awaiting their execution. The first one, named Hung Allen, said that although he had confessed to the charge, he was nevertheless innocent, and he only confessed because he was tortured. The other man named Cheung Asai admitted that he was one of the burglars that attacked the house and that there were over 100 men in Macao engaged in robberies, and all of them were known to him. The prisoner was not one of them, nor was he one of those who committed the burglary. The prisoner was also committed to gaol to await the orders of H. E. the Governor.

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.
(Before His Honor Mr. Justice Bowen.)
February 9, 1877.

In the case of Wong Lai C. Wong Lam Kwai, his Lordship delivered the following judgment to-day:—This action is brought to recover as is stated in the summons \$170 the value of a junk, and other property, wrongfully detained by the defendant. The plaintiff's story is that being told by a man named Chong Acheung that there was an old junk for sale at Chun Chuen, he went there and saw the junk and agreed with the Fung

Yune shop to buy it for \$45, of which he paid \$30 on account, a receipt for which was sent to him by the defendant. The defendant was a fellow-shipman, and coming from Shatow in Siam, and plaintiff had known him before, and described him as a coolie and a street robber, and says that he had had his tail cut. This is so far true that about 11 years ago defendant was in gaol for stealing a jacket; and was put into prison, and it seems was working in a chain-gang and escaped, for which he was again imprisoned and flogged. Since that time he appears to have led an honest life and kept a stone boat. Under these not very favourable antecedents the plaintiff, as he says, employed defendant to act for him in the purchase of this junk, and handed him \$140 to get the junk repaired and properly equipped. This large sum, far beyond what was required for the necessary repairs and for which no receipt was taken, was paid to the defendant in the junk of Wong Acheung, a plaintiff's witness who also lives at Shatow, and occasionally chatters a junk to trade to Chun Chuen and back. This was the only occasion on which the plaintiff had taken a passage in Wong Acheung's boat. Plaintiff says he borrowed the \$140 from Leong Aming at Canton, who is not a witness. Plaintiff went back to his home and was absent from the 24th to 26th October getting this money. On the 26th he went away to his native place to raise more money to get cargo; he arrived on the 28th, stayed there until November 8th, when he returned to Chun Chuen and found the junk and the defendant gone. He has since that time been looking for them, and found them on Jan. 22nd at Hongkong. He demanded the junk of the defendant, who refused to give it up and he got a warrant and seized the junk. Wong Acheung confirms him as to his passage to Chun Chuen, and wears the witness the payment of the \$140 to the defendant. He also says he saw plaintiff pay the Fung Yune shop for the junk (\$30) and identifies the receipt. The defendant's story is entirely contradictory. He says he was told of the old junk for sale by the plaintiff, who said the price was \$40. He refused to give so much, and after going to Chun Chuen to see the junk with the plaintiff sent him up to Chun Chuen to buy it for \$45 which he handed to him, and took the precaution of sending with him a man named Chong A-Tai. They went up, Chong A-Tai says, and agreed for the purchase of the junk for \$45 of which he paid \$30 only to the Fung Yune people who gave him the receipt for the junk. This was on October 23rd or 24th; defendant had previously on October 11th or 12th been to Chun Chuen to see the junk. On the 26th October he went again, having had a letter from Chong A-Tai. Chong A-Tai says the plaintiff had then left, and he never saw him afterwards until January here. The plaintiff swears he never saw Chong A-Tai before that day, and denies that he ever went up to Canton with him in the *Kwong*. Chong A-Tai swears that he saw plaintiff pay the Fung Yune the \$15 balance. To confirm this two receipts are put in, one given by the Fung Yune shop to the defendant dated 27th October, for the \$15 balance, without which they would not give up the boat, the other, December 1st, given by the Wing Kee shop for T. 23.4.6 for repairing this very junk. These accounts completely confirm the statements of the defendant and his witness, but are not inconsistent with the plaintiff's story, because he says he left Chun Chuen October 26th and did not return until November 8th, so that there is nothing in the receipts *per se* and the payments of which they are proof, to show that the defendant was not spending part of the \$140 handed to him by the plaintiff as plaintiff states. What tells in favour of defendant's account is that they are made out in his name, and the receipt for the \$15 refers to a former bill which he says shall be considered as waste paper. The defendant says that he has been trading with this junk since 11th December. In fact, Chong A-Tai describes how she was repaired and handed over to the defendant himself, and he has been on board ever since. He swears positively that he never saw the plaintiff at Chun Chuen after the \$30 were paid by him to the Fung Yune shop. I entirely believe his evidence. 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 Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.
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(FIRE AND LIFE.)
CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.
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 Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.
 If required, protection will be granted on first class lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.
 For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to **ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.**
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 THE Underigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.
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NOTICE.
 POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two-Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premiums contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.
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 THE Underigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire, to the extent of \$5,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.
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NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.
 Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.
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 Agents.
 Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.
 INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.
 THE Underigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows—
 Marine Department.
 Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.
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 Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.
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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
 Hongkong, July 28, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.
 THE Underigned Agents are in receipt of instructions from the Board of Directors authorizing them to issue Policies to the extent of \$10,000 on any one first class risk, or to the extent of \$15,000 on adjoining risks at current rates.
 A Discount of 20% allowed.
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 Hongkong, January 8, 1875.

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 THE Underigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.
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 Bombay, Madras, Calcutta and Australia.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship LOMBARDY, Captain Hall, will leave this on THURSDAY, the 15th February, at Noon.
 For further Particulars, apply to **A. MEYER, Superintendant**
 Hongkong, February 3, 1877. fcl5

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 Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of 28th Instant. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.
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 For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.
G. B. EMORY, Agent.
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 N. O. 3, PRINCE TERRACE, ELGIN STREET, with Immediate Possession.
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 THE PREMISES No. 39, Queen's Road, at present in the occupation of the BORNIO COMPANY.
TURNER & Co.
 Hongkong, February 6, 1877.

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 Apply to **J. J. DOS REMEDIOS & Co.**
 Hongkong, February 2, 1877. fcl7

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 House No. 10, Albany Road, at present occupied by the Rev. R. H. KIDD.
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
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 THE Premises at present occupied by the International Ice Manufacturing Co., Limited.
 For particulars, apply to **MEYER & Co.**
 Hongkong, December 11, 1876.

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 THE Upper Portion of Nos. 42 and 44, Queen's Road.
 Apply to **DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.**
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 Several thousand Yards of VALUOUS REMNANTS, comprising: FLANNELS, CALICOES, PRINTS, MUSLINS, STUFF GOODS and Other Useful GOODS, are Marked at Prices, which must effect immediate Sale.
 In order to prevent disappointment, We beg to inform Our Customers and the Public that this Extraordinary, and Unprecedented Sale must close on February 24th.

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HAS on hand the Largest and Best collection of Views of China, Photographs Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of assorted sizes. Photographs enlarged from C. D. V. size to life size and coloured in oil. A new apparatus for Photography has been received from England; he is prepared to take Photos of Buildings and interiors at the shortest distance.
 Hongkong, July 17, 1876.

EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE DE 1878.
THE CONSUL FOR FRANCE has the honour to inform those Persons who wish to take part in the intended Exhibition, that they will find at the Consulate all Information and Particulars they may require.
 For the Consul,
G. BOULOUZE, Vice-Consul.
 Hongkong, December 18, 1876.

THE CHINESE MAIL.
TERMS OF ADVERTISING IN THE CHINESE MAIL.
 TWO cents a character for the first 100 characters, and one cent a character beyond the first 100, for first insertion, and half price for repetitions during the first week. Subsequent weeks' insertions will be charged only one half the amount of the first week's charge. Advertisements for half a year and longer will be allowed a deduction of 35 per cent on the total amount, and contracts for more favourable terms can be made.
 Efforts have been made to establish Agents for circulating the Chinese Mail in all the ports and in the interior of China, all the ports in Japan, in Saigon, Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, Batavia, Manila, the Philippines, Australia, San Francisco, Peru and other places which Chinese frequent. When this list of Agencies is completed, it will be published. Agents have been already established in most of the above places, and in important ports more than one agent has been appointed at each.

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NOTICE.
 ON and after the 15th of January, my Charge for Brokerage on all SHARES, will be HALF PER CENT on the Full Amount, to be Paid by the Seller only.
W. M. MORGAN,
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 Hongkong, January 13, 1877. fcl8

NOTICE.
THE CHINESE MAIL.
 FROM and after the Chinese New Year's day (February 27, 1874) the Chinese Mail will be issued DAILY instead of TWICE WEEKLY as heretofore. No change, however, will be made in the price of subscription, which will remain at \$4 per annum. The charges for advertisements are now assimilated to those of the Chinese Mail. The unusual success which has attended the Chinese Mail makes it an admirable medium for advertisers.
 The Conductors guarantee an eventual circulation of one thousand copies. It is already the most influential native journal published, and enjoys considerable prestige at the Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, San Francisco and Australia.
 For terms, &c., address
MA CHUN AYIN,
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 China Mail Office,
 17th February, 1874.

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 THE Municipal Commissioners of Penang are desirous of receiving DESIGNS for a TOWN-HALL. This Building is to be erected on the ground on the east side of the Esplanade situated between the latter and Duke Street, and its cost is not to exceed \$50,000.
 The Commissioners offer a PREMIUM of \$400 for the best and most suitable Design with Specifications; and competitors have the option of forwarding tenders for carrying out the work.
 The Designs, accompanied with all documents, are to be sent to the Municipal Office Penang on or before the 1st of March next.
 For further information apply to the Secretary to the Municipal Commissioners at Penang.
D. C. PRESGRAVE,
 Municipal Secretary.
 Penang.
 Municipal Office,
 The 21st September, 1876.

THE HONGKONG CHINESE MAIL.
 THE Circulation of THIS PAPER has been very much extended. The following are some of its Agents:—
 Macao.—Man Chuen Shop.
 Canton.—Sing Chuen Native Post Office, Luen Hing Street; Chui Hing Low Hotel, Luen Hing Street; Kwong Tin Fat Shop, Yan Tai Street; Mr Sit Chuen Fan, Tung Wen Kwan; Yuen Fong Shop, in front of the Provincial Treasurer's Yamen; How Yuen Shop, Small Market Street, New City; Yee Cheung Photograph Shop, Honam; Kwai Hing Shop, Sin Chong, Honam.
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 Shanghai.—Mr Ng Ching Shun, Maritime Customs; Mr Ho Yue Chuen, Maritime Customs; Mr Chui Sing Hoi, Mosses Jardine, Matheson & Co.; Mr Kwong Chuen Fook, Educational Mission School; and Mow Sing Sang Kee shop.
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 Hankow.—Yee Hing Hong.
 Chefoo.—Yee Shun Hong.
 Japan.—Mr Leong Chun Tong, Municipal Office, Yokohama.
 Saigon.—Wohang Hong.
 Singapore.—Ting Kee Hong; Kwong Fook Sang Hong.
 Penang.—Yow Wing Fong; Argus Office.
 Calcutta.—Mow Sing Company.
 San Francisco.—Kwong Fong Tai Hong.
 The above are some of the Agencies; others will be published, when they are arranged for. Negotiations are in progress with the express couriers who carry the official despatches and Peking Gazette, to circulate the Chinese Mail in the interior of China.
 Hongkong, March 10, 1874.

P. F. DA SILVA,
GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT,
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BONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, January 27, 1877.
 At 1075 Cash per Dollar American.
 Exchange Rates.
 Cash. Cash.

Butcher Meat.
 Bacon, English, lb. 450 400
 " Ame. Sugar cured, 300 250
 " Foochow, 160 140
 Beef, sirloin and prime cut, 150 150
 Beef Corned, 150 140
 " Roast, 150 140
 " Soup, 90 80
 " Steak, 150 140
 Bulls' Brains, per set 60 50
 " Tongue, fresh, each 275 250
 " " corned, 320 300
 " Head, 600 500
 " Heart, 150 140
 " Foot, 60 40
 " Kidneys, 60 50
 " Tail, 100 90
 " Liver, 60 50
 " Tripe (undressed), 50 40
 Calves' Head and Feet, set 500 400
 Hams, American, lb. 300 280
 " Chinese, 180 170
 " English, 380 340
 Mutton Chop, 170 140
 " Leg, 170 140
 " Shoulder, 140 120
 " Livers, 120 110
 Pig's Chittlings, 60 50
 " Feet, 100 90
 " Hy, 110 100
 " Head, 90 80
 " Heart, 60 50
 " Kidneys, 80 70
 " Livers, lb. 100 80
 Pork Chop, 150 140
 " Corned, 180 120
 " Leg, 180 140
 " Fat or Lard, 110 100
 Sheep's Head and Feet, set 340 320
 " Heart, 50 40
 " Kidneys, 80 70
 Sucking Pig, 1750 1000
 Veal, 140 120

Poultry.
 Capons, 180 160
 Ducks, 110 100
 Deer, Shanghai, each \$2.00 1.75
 Eggs, Hen, 100 —
 " Duck, 100 —
 " Salt, 120 —
 Fowls, 160 150
 Geese, 120 110
 Partridges, 250 230
 Pheasants, Canton, live, pair \$2.00 —
 " Shanghai, dead, 600 —
 Pigeons, 140 120
 Quail, 60 50
 Snipe, 110 100
 Rabbits, 60 50
 Teal, 150 140
 Turkeys, Cook, 600 550
 " Hen, 450 400
 Wild Duck, 350 300
 Geese, 700 —
 Woodcock, 500 —

Fish.
 Bombay Ducks, new per hundred 350 300
 Bream, 100 80
 Carp, 80 70
 Codfish, Salt, 200 —
 Crabs, 140 100
 Cuttle Fish, 90 80
 Dace, 100 80
 Eels, Conger, 50 40
 File Fish, 60 50
 Fresh Fish, Large 120 100
 " Small 90 80
 Frogs, 140 100
 Garoupe, 140 130
 Haddock, 100 90
 Herring, 70 60
 " smoked, box \$1.00 —
 Live Fish, 150 140
 Lobsters, 60 50
 Mackerel, 60 50
 Oysters, 180 120
 Parrot Fish, 140 130
 Perch, 70 60
 Pomfret, 100 90
 Prawns, 100 80
 Ray, 100 80
 Roach, 140 130
 Rock Fish, 140 130
 Salmon, Canton, 100 80
 " Saltwater, 140 —
 " Pickled, tin 300 —
 Salt Fish, 120 100
 Shark, young 80 70
 Shrimps, 80 70
 Skate, 60 50
 Snappers, 110 100
 Snipe Fish, 70 60
 Soles, Fresh 60 50
 Trench, 80 70
 Turbot, 100 80
 Turtles, Small 320 300

Miscellaneous.
 Allspice, Chinese, bottle 200 —
 " English, 750 500
 Barley, 1600 1500
 Bran, 1600 1400
 Butter, lb. 700 500
 Canned Orange Peel, bottle 750 700
 " Lemon, 750 700
 Capers, 230 180
 Charcoal, 1080 1000
 Cheese, American, lb. 400 350
 " English, 500 450
 " Dutch, each 1100 1000
 Cinnamon, 300 250
 Cloves, 160 150
 Oloves, 600 400
 Coconut Oil, bottle 180 150
 Coffee, lb. 280 200
 Curry Powder, bottle 500 250
 Firewood, 350 340
 Flour, 30 25
 Gram, 3000 2750
 Isinglass, 750 —
 Lamp Oil, 90 80
 Macaroni, box 1000 750
 Mace, 750 —
 Mango Chutney, bottle 800 800
 Mustard, 180 160
 Nutmegs, each 10 8
 Olives, bottle 250 200
 Paddy, 1600 1500
 Pearl Barley, bottle 230 180
 Pepper (whole), 270 220
 " (ground), bottle 250 200
 Pickles, 500 160
 Rice, 85 28
 Sage, 100 80
 Salad Oil, 250 180
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